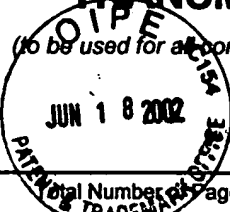


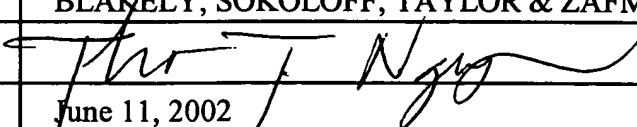
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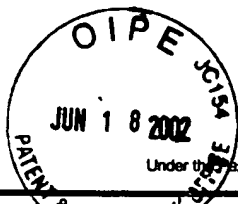
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Application No.: 09/263,114

Confirmation No.: 1407

Filed: March 5, 1999

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
PROCESSING VIDEO AND GRAPHICS
DATA TO CREATE A COMPOSITE
OUTPUT IMAGE HAVING
INDEPENDENT AND SEPARATE
LAYERS OF VIDEO AND GRAPHICS**

Examiner: C. Harrison

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

On April 1, 2002, our office received an Office Action from the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for the above-identified application without a mailing date printed on the cover page of the Office Action. Upon inquiry, our office was informed that the mailing date of this Office Action was June 6, 2001.

On April 15, 2002, our office received a Notice of Abandonment from the USPTO with a mailing date of April 4, 2002. The Notice of Abandonment alleged that the above-identified application was abandoned because Applicants had failed to timely file a proper response to the above-identified Office Action (hereinafter referred to as the "June 2001 Office Action"). However, as stated above, our office did not received the June 2001 Office Action until April 1, 2002. Therefore, Applicants are filing a Petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application because Applicants never received the above-identified Office Action until April 1, 2002.

This response to the above-identified Office Action is being submitted in connection with the Petition to withdraw holding of abandonment of the above-identified application.

In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner contends that Applicants claims distinct inventions in the above-identified United States Patent Application as follows:

- I. Claims 1-32, 37-49 drawn to display processing based on display position.
- II. Claims 33-36, 50-60 drawn to blending multiple images based on overlay position.
- III. Claims 61-67, drawn to selectively displaying images.

IV. Claims 68-78, drawn to selective blending of graphic and video images.

V. Claims 79-96, drawn to generating tiled graphics images.

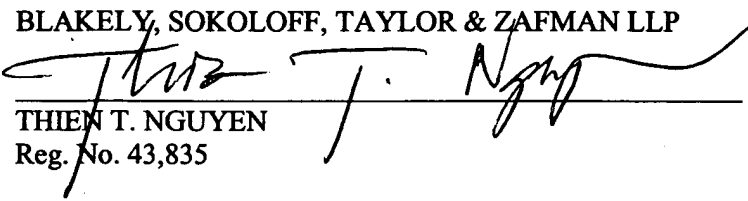
Thus, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121, the Examiner requires Applicants to restrict their Application to one of the alleged inventions. In compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants elect the first group (claims 1-32, 37-49) for examination purposes.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants request examination of the elected claims. Examination at the Examiner's earliest convenience is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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